

Community Assistance Network
EAST VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE
Children, Families, & Futures

MINUTES

March 9, 2004
Department of Behavioral Health
850 Foothill Blvd., Rialto

In Attendance:

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Zador, Susan	Mail for Me Club		

1. Welcome and Introductions

Everyone was welcomed and self-introductions were made.

2. Additions/Deletions to Agenda

Agenda was approved as presented.

3. Approval of February Minutes

The minutes will stand as approved.

4. Guest Speaker: Sue Taylor, Children's Network – Child Abuse Prevention Campaign

- April is Child Abuse Prevention Month
- Mentioned some of the materials that will be available through the month of April
- Some materials will be offered in Spanish

- Please let her know of events throughout the month so she can add them to her master calendar of events.
- The 6th Annual Shine a Light on Child Abuse Prevention Awards Breakfast will be held on March 31 at 7:30 a.m. at the Ontario Double Tree.
- Call the Children's Network to RSVP at (909) 387-8966
- Children's Fund rubber duck race will be held on April 17th at Pharaohs Lost Kingdom from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. with the race starting at 2 p.m., don't forget to adopt your duck.
- Children's Fund could still use volunteers for the duck race.

5. Roundtable Discussion / Networking

Susan Melanson of Children's Network

- Spoke about the focus of the annual conference
- Gave summary of Dr. Chasnoff's field of expertise, whom will be the keynote speaker for the Children's Network Annual Conference
- Conference Proposals are due March 12th, with a drop-dead date of March 17th.
- Children's Network is part of a 5 county region Child Abuse Prevention Council with Orange, San Bernardino, San Diego, Imperial, and Riverside Counties.
- This Council is working together to bring a wider range of resources to everyone

Ron Hernandez of Cameron Hill Aftercare Services

- They serve foster youth aging out at age 18 of the Foster Care System
- They offer education and employment training
- Ron works on enhancing resources for Cameron Hill Aftercare Services
- Need mentors for young adults to be a guide, a friend and assist them with different experiences, to help them get into a better lifestyle
- Flyers were made available
- Training to be a mentor is 7 to 10 hours: 2 hours on Wednesday evenings
- They also have a branch in San Diego

Anthony Rubio of Children's Network

- Child Care Planning Council meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 10 am at the County Superintendent of Schools, Child Development Division located at 144 N. Mtn. View Ave, San Bernardino
- The Legislation Subcommittee will meet on March 18 at 12:30 p.m. at the same address
- Steve Martinez will do a presentation on the legislative process/how a bill becomes a law
- At 1:30 p.m. the regular Child Care Directors meeting will begin on March 18
- Anthony is working on developing a web site just for child care information
- The Training Subcommittee is working out details on trainings to be offered
- Call Anthony at 909-387-5375 for more information

June Chandler of Volunteers of America – Early Head Start

- Ribbon cutting ceremony on March 26th from 3 –5 p.m. at 720 South E Street (the old guitar center across from the Orange Show)
- They offer their services free to the public in Rialto, Colton, Highland, and a few zip codes in San Bernardino

Millee Martin-Walton and Felipe Garcia of Inland Regional Center

- The Inland Regional Center serves San Bernardino and Riverside Counties
- Offer services for children/adults with:
 - Autism
 - Retardation
 - Epilepsy
 - Cerebral Palsy
- For more information please contact 909-890-5000 or visit www.inlandrc.org

Linda Porras of Public Health, Reproductive Health Services

- Gave overview of services provided through her office
- Please call 909-388-5701 for details

Leanna Long of Inland Temporary Homes

- Services offered include:
 - 30-90 day shelter for homeless families under 17
 - Case management
 - Child development
 - Parenting
 - Anger management
 - Counseling
 - Licensed psychologist
 - Children's programs
 - 2 year transitional program

Robert Hernandez of PTLC

- Services offered include:
 - Academic skills
 - Anger management
 - Computer training
- June 1st is a fundraiser walkathon, details are yet to be determined
- Will keep everyone posted with a flyer at the next meeting on the upcoming fundraiser

Cynthia White-Piper of San Bernardino City Unified School District

- Services offered include:
 - School linked services
 - Health services
 - HIV prevention program
 - Infant toddler center
 - Gang and violence prevention
 - Healthy Start families
 - Help kids with basic needs
- Call 909-880-6700 for more information

Joe Guzman of Mental Health Systems

- Offer services for mentally ill homeless
- Help find mental health services
- Keep the mentally ill out of jail and provide emergency services
- Program is offered statewide

Tara Juniel of Aspira Foster & Family Services

- Offer foster care and adoption services
- May is National Foster Care Appreciation Month
- Wear a blue ribbon to show your support

Avante Simmons of Regional Occupational Program (ROP)

- Offer vocational training for adults and high school students
- Flyers made available to group along with a schedule of classes
- Call 909-793-1551 ext. 150 for more information

6. Next Meeting Date: **Tuesday, April 13 at 3 p.m.**
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Respectfully Submitted,

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East Valley Collaborative Recording Secretary

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